

## TOWN OF BRENTWOOD

## **RESOLUTION 2021-04**

## Creating a Sustainability/Green Team/Tree Committee and Appointing a Chair to the Committee for 2021-2023

WHEREAS the Town of Brentwood, Maryland strives to cultivate a culture of awareness and stewardship to appropriately manage impacts to the environment while building a community that encourages the sustainable use of our communities natural, human, and economic resources; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council of Brentwood realize the increasing urgency of climate change, rising energy prices, and a fragile economy pose serious threats to Brentwood's ability to thrive, now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Brentwood wishes to build a model of government that benefits our residents now and far into the future with sustainable community initiatives that are easy to replicate and affordable to implement; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainability Committee, will combine and leverage the skills and expertise of Green Team members and municipal leaders to develop plans, implement programs, and assist with educational opportunities that support the pursuit and realization of a sustainable community and certification by Sustainable Maryland.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** By the Mayor and Council of the Town of Brentwood that we do hereby appoint Councilmember Dr. Mary Vechery-Goff as Brentwood Sustainability Committee Chair and authorize to complete the Municipal Registration on behalf of the Town.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council that the Mission, Goals, and Objectives of the Brentwood Sustainability Committee are established as follows:

## **MISSION:**

The Brentwood Sustainability Committee will advise the Mayor and Council on ways to achieve certification for Sustainable Maryland status and to offer suggestions to improve municipal operations with sustainability initiatives that are environmentally and economically sound. The primary charge of the Committee will be to manage the town's certification for Sustainable Maryland status and seek out opportunities to create a more sustainable environment through grants and educational opportunities.

**SECTION TWO:** <u>CONFLICTS</u>: All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict with any other Resolution and any of the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

**SECTION THREE:** <u>SEVERABILITY</u>: If any section or portion of a section of this Resolution is found to be invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate force or effect of any other section or part of this Resolution.

**SECTION FOUR: EFFECTIVE DATE:** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

READ, PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of May 2021

Attest: Giselle Richards, Town Clerk

Rocio Treminio-Lopez, Mayor

Stefan Leggin, Vice Mayor

Marcus Monroe, Councilmember

Quianna Taylor, Councilmember

Mary Vechery-Goff, Councilmember